Vacancies in the Oil Selection Boards

244. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many posts are lying vacant in the different Oil Selection Boards alongwith the figure region-wise;

(b) what are the reasons for keeping such vacancies, if any, unfilled; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to fill up these vacancies soon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) At present no post is lying vacant in any of the four Oil Selection Boards (OSBs), viz., North, South, West and East.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Sales turn-over of Sulphamoxol, etc.

245. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of drugs such as sulphamoxol, glipizide, diphenhydramine, etc. which are having sales turn-over in crores of rupees and are in a monopoly position have been excluded from price control as reported in the Times of India of 21st August, 1987;

(b) if so, the names of brands being marketed in the country along with the name of each producer; and

(c) what was the sales turn-over of leader brand of each drug during 1986 and what was the percentage market share of each brand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R.K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) The drugs referred to in the question were not included in the list of Category-II drugs recommended by the Kelkar Committee for price control and, therefore, are not covered by the DPCO, 1987.

(b) and (c) Production of formulations is not monitored.

12.00 Noon

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

I. Report and Accounts (1985-86) of the Andrew Yule & Company Limited, Calcutta and ralated papers.

II. Report and Accounts (1985-86) of the Burn Standard Company Limited, Calcutta and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table—

(1) A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956:—

(i) (a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Andrew Yule & Company Limited, Calcutta, for the year 1985-86, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-4935/87 for (a) and (b)]

(ii) (a) Tenth Annual Report and Accounts of the Burn Standard Company Limited, Calcutta, for the year 1985-86, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.